

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2006-166-E

JOINT PETITION OF EDISTO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. AND SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY FOR REASSIGNMENT OF TERRITORY AND TRANSFER OF CUSTOMERS IN BARNWELL COUNTY

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-27-610, *et. seq.* (1976) Edisto Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Edisto) and South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (SCE&G) (jointly, the Petitioners) have filed a Joint Petition for Reassignment of Territory and Transfer of Customers (Joint Petition) with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission). According to the Joint Petition, SCE&G and Edisto request that the Commission reassign to Edisto a parcel of land consisting of approximately .8 square mile in Barnwell County. The parcel of land is located north of the City of Barnwell and bordered on the west by US Highway 278, on the south by Nappier Road, on the east by Turkey Creek, and on the north by the existing northern boundary of the SCE&G service territory for the area around the City of Barnwell. The Joint Petition reveals that there are no facilities of SCE&G within this area. There are, however, both facilities and customers of Edisto in the area for which the Parties are requesting reassignment.

Edisto serves fourteen (14) commercial customers on the west side of US Highway 278. The Petitioners seek Commission authorization for Edisto to discontinue serving these customers and for SCE&G to commence serving them. The Joint Petition states that SCE&G has agreed to purchase from Edisto all of Edisto's lines and facilities located west of US Highway 278. The Joint Petition further alleges that no facilities or territories of any other electric suppliers are affected by the changes the Petitioners propose.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Synergy Business Park, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from Catherine D. Taylor, Esquire or Patricia B. Morrison, Esquire, 1426 Main Street, Mail Code 130, Columbia, SC 29201 and Marc A. Manos, Esquire, NEXSEN PRUET, LLC, 1441 Main Street, Suite 1500, Columbia, SC 29201.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing concerning these matters should notify, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, Catherine D. Taylor, Esquire or Patricia B. Morrison, Esquire, 1426 Main Street, Mail Code 130, Columbia, SC 29201 and Marc A. Manos, Esquire, NEXSEN PRUET, LLC, 1441 Main Street, Suite 1500, Columbia, SC 29201 on or before **August 18, 2006**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-166-E.*

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a Party of Record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **August 18, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-166-E.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **August 18, 2006**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-166-E.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

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